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In re application of Bruce Gordon RAMSAY

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AND ARTICLE TRANSPORT MECHANISM

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to action on the merits of the subject application, please enter the following amendments to the specification and claims.